

V-P Chapman Offers Suggestion For Future Decoration Of Gym at Fancy Dress Time; Would Have Cotillion Club Reorganized And Expanded to Handle Labor Situation

This Year's Task Proves Its Worth

With an eye to the future, John Chapman, co-vice president in charge of decoration for the 1950 edition of Fancy Dress, suggested yesterday that students take over the job of decorating the gym for Fancy Dress in years to come.

Chapman pointed out that this year the task was handled entirely by students instead of the customary procedure of contracting with a firm of professional interior decorators to assume the huge face-lifting operation. "We were swamped with compliments," Chapman stated, "and there is no reason why such satisfactory results could not be obtained in the future."

Reorganize and Expand

Probably the best way to go about setting up a permanent program for student labor to handle decorations would be to completely reorganize and expand the Cotillion Club and then to turn the task over to this group, Chapman suggested. "Other schools use such a plan which has worked very satisfactorily and there is no reason why such an arrangement could not work here at W&L," he added.

Permanent Room

A permanent room in the gym could be secured for the work and this space could double as a store-room for the props and lighting equipment used at all the dances. Such a plan as this to be effective would call for a complete revamping of the authority and functions of the Cotillion Club. This new setup would not mean any change in the present membership selection or social activities, but merely a new and very important task would be assigned to the group.

Chapman also added that Professor Junkin of the Art Department has offered to assist in the decorating task in the future if the theme of the dance would fit into classroom activity satisfactorily. This year the Art Department designed and painted the tapestries that decorated the walls of King Arthur's ballroom and Chapman expressed a deep appreciation for the work done by the department.

Turning to a summary of the effort expended in this year's decorations, Chapman estimated that more than 20,000 man hours were used to complete the job. Scale drawings were drawn up early in the fall and models were built to assist in the planning. Upon completion of the preliminary work, an order was placed for 16,000 square feet of carboard stones that made up the interior of the castle.

Tens of Gallons

Tens of gallons of paint were consumed in the huge decorations process and by one week before the dance most of the painting had been completed. Only the job of assembly remained for the

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ART DUBS ARTIST—"I dub thee Sir Tex," says King Arthur Wood as he knights the royal musician Beneke in FD ceremony. And the Beneke Band performed in royal fashion at last Friday night's ball in Doremus Castle.—(Photo courtesy Roanoke Times.)

"I'm Just Wild About Jeannie!" Says Student Critic Of Youthful Violinist

By BENNO FORMAN
Variations on a theme of Corelli ----- Tartini
Sonata No. 4 for unaccompanied violin ----- Bach
Concerto in A Minor ----- Nim
Minuet ----- Debussy
Ipanema ----- Milhaud
Scherzo-Tarantelle ----- Wieniawski

As is the occurrence on all too rare occasions, the uplift element of Lexington society turned out in full force at the High School auditorium last Tuesday evening for a most interesting violin recital by Jeanne Mitchell.

Her audience was almost immediately captivated by this twenty-three year old miss who looks hardly a day over eighteen. Her natural ease, composure, and stage presence added immeasurably to everyone's enjoyment of the evening, and the program, in spite of four generous encores and even more curtain calls, passed all too quickly.

The vigor with which she attacked her first number, the Variation on a theme of Corelli, by Tartini,

emphatically impressed the audience. Her deceptive casualness showed a mastery of technique that leaves the performer more time to concern himself with the subtler nuances that raise an artist above mere adequacy.

It would be unfair to criticize Miss Mitchell for her youth. Rather we must praise her for her maturity in view of it. She soon demonstrated that she possesses understanding and a grasp of the purposes behind sincere musical interpretation. Her emotions were at no time obtruded upon her audience. It was more of an invitation extended to her audience to join her in an emotional experience.

Lacks Emotion

It is possible that her lack of continued outward emotional manifestations could have been interpreted as coldness; but it could not be long mistaken. No matter the degree of technical perfection attained, a warmth of tone such as was heard from her violin comes only from within and not (Continued on Page 2, Column 3)

NOTICE

There will be a meeting of all members of the Friday Ring-tum Phi staff Monday, Feb. 13 in the basement of the Student Union Building at 5 p. m.

Hollis Named New Chairman Of Scholarship Committee; Elaborate Plans Announced

Maryland Games Are First Meet For Indoor Team

"Norm" Lord, coach of the indoor trackmen, announced this week that the W&L team has three big meets ahead. The first, on February 18, will be in College Park, Maryland, where the team will enter the University of Maryland Indoor Games. On February 22, both the freshmen and varsity will travel to the University of Virginia, in Charlottesville, for the Big Six Indoor Track Meet. The third meet will take place in Chapel Hill, North Carolina, and will be the Southern Conference Indoor Games.

Coach Lord stated that not enough boys have come out for the team and that he may not have enough to enter the meets. So far the following upperclassmen have come out: Pete White, dash and hurdles; Yates Trotter, 440 and 880 yard runs; Charles Hoffman, high jump; Ken Sideris, dash man; Ted Van Leer, 440 and 880 yard runs; and Bob Connely, dash man. Several freshmen have shown promise: Ken Ford, mile run; Bill Kress, 440 and 880 yard runs; Whitlock, hurdles and dashes; Pete George Holbrook, high jump; Dick Clothier, 440 yard run; and Jack Martin, 880 yard run.

The team was scheduled to have a practice meet yesterday with VMI and men who showed promise will be entered in the Maryland meet. If more men come out Coach Lord will enter a large number of both freshmen and varsity candidates in the Big Six meet. Coach Lord said that he needed high jumpers and shot putters more than anything else, but he also said that he would be glad to have anyone who is interested in any event try out for the team. He said that indoor tracks holds many advantages for the trackman. First, it gives him an early start for the spring season; second, it gives him experience in meets with other schools; and third it gets him in all around good shape.

Echols Harnsberger was advised by Coach Lord not to compete during the coming indoor season. Harnsberger was ill this winter and "Norm" doesn't want to take any chance. He wants Harnsberger to recover fully so that he can run during the spring season. The loss of Harnsberger will be a great blow to this year's indoor team.

Women Wrestlers, Varsity Show Among Plans To Reach \$10,000 Goal By 1952

Sam Hollis, a Junior from Memphis, Tennessee, has been elected new Chairman of the Student War Memorial Scholarship Committee.

Already a well-known campus figure, Hollis has been cited in Who's Who in American Colleges, was recently one of two Juniors chosen by ODK, is Co-President of the Cotillion Club, a three year varsity swimmer, and headed 1949 Openings.

Better Relations Sought By Council

The standard set this year by the Inter-fraternity Council to promote better relations between fraternities and the residents of Lexington has gone into effect.

Tom Pressley, Chairman of the Special Sub-Committee on Hell Week, announced today that no violations to the policy of confining Hell Week stunts to the individual fraternity houses and environs has been reported as yet and "it is sincerely hoped that the Pledge Masters will use discretion in matters of this nature."

Any violations of Hell Week standards are subject to a \$15 minimum fine and appearance by a fraternity representative before the Judicial Committee of the I.F.C. In order to insure itself against the probability of standard violations the Interfraternity Council has required all fraternities to submit to it a list of all planned stunts to which Freshmen will be put through. This list was to be approved by the Special Sub-Committee before the fraternities could begin their program of edification.

Riddick Named DU President

The Ring-tum Phi regrets that an error was made in listing the new officers of Delta Upsilon in a recent issue.

President of the fraternity is Walt Riddick. Other officers are: Vice President, Moe Arata; Treasurer, Bill Walton; House Manager, Bob Carey; Recording Secretary, Cal Cafritz; Corresponding Secretary, Roby Robertson; and Pledge Master, Ted Lonergan.

NOTICE

Tryouts for a new Troubadour Play, "A Midsummer Night's Dream" will be held in Henry Street Theater next Tuesday and Wednesday, February 14 and 15, 7:30 p.m.

At the same time it was announced that Frazier Reams was elected to the post of SWMSC Secretary.

The Student War Memorial is to be a full scholarship, awarded annually as a living tribute to the men of W&L who lost their lives during the war. The student recipient of the scholarship will be selected by the student Executive Committee, with the approval of the administration.

Retiring Chairman Gerry Stephens announced future plans late this week. Featured among these will be the Varsity Show this spring, produced by Sigma Delta Chi for the Scholarship Fund. It is hoped that this year's edition of the Varsity Show will receive the same student body support that it has in the past.

A second money raising device to be continued by the Committee will be the selling of flowers at dance set weekends through Sha-



Sam Hollis

ner's Florists on a percentage basis for the Fund.

Another Stephens proposal to raise funds is a professional wrestling match with all the trimmings . . . sweat, strain, groans, and even women!

At present over \$4,500 has been accumulated by the Committee of which \$4,000 has been invested (Continued on Page 2, Column 1)

W&L To Construct Six Fast-Drying Courts By Spring; Mrs. Evans Donor

By HUGH GLICKSTEIN
Six fast drying composition tennis courts will be constructed at W&L ready for use in the coming spring season.

The new courts are a gift from Mrs. Kelly Evans, of Hot Springs, Arkansas, whose donation of \$10,000 for the purpose will provide W&L with the finest courts available.

Similar courts as these may be found in White Sulphur Springs, other fine resorts and country clubs, and numerous universities. Observers feel that tennis enthusiasts at W&L will have a difficult time finding fault with these new Har-Tru quadrangles.

Present plans include the construction of the courts below the concrete footbridge on the site of the present clay court. Three double courts are to be built on the west side of the bridge and two single and one double on the east side. To insure fast drying after bad weather, the courts are to be sloped about 8 inches with the end toward the football field as the higher part.

The top surfaces are to be made of fine, crushed rock and and-

faces, which are quick drying, will be brushed and rolled regularly to keep them in top shape. Every modern unit available is in line to be used, and the surrounding fence is to be repaired by the school.

According to Cy Twombly, the athletic department feels this is a fine addition to the athletic plant of the University and that it will be maintained as such. "These courts are as fine as those anywhere in the country, and they ought to be an incentive for everybody to play tennis," Twombly emphasized.

Actual building will begin next Monday as two superintendents are being sent here by the constructing company. First requisite for the courts is an eight inch layer of cinders to serve as the under surface. To obtain these cinders, negotiations have been made with the C&O Railroad for the deliverance of twelve carloads.

However, the recent coal strike has prevented immediate transportation of the needed slag. It is hoped the situation will be untangled with the new union parleys being held, for the goal for completion is about March 1.

Sem Sweethearts, Stage Staggering Song Show



Courtesy Roanoke Times--

Southern Sem will present the second and final performance of "The Gay Nineties Review" tonight in Chandler Hall at 8:00 o'clock. The general public is invited to attend at a small admission charge.

The play is being staged by the dramatic art department of the college, with a company of fifty students, eighteen of whom are in the dramatic art department. The play is under the direction of Miss June Elizabeth Deacon, head of the

department. On each Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock the dramatic art department and the music department of the college broadcast programs over WREL of Lexington. The programs originate in the respective departments and the faculty and students participate in them. The verse choir of twenty members is one of the outstanding organizations of the dramatic art department.

Included in the program are

skits, "The Lighthouse Keepers' Daughter," and "Curse You," Jack Dalton, and songs such as "Teasin'," "Grandmother's Grievance," "When Frances Dances With Me," and "Picture Turned Toward The Wall."

Said Mrs. John Clothier, a hostess at the Sem, "Last night's performance was a tremendous success. It left the older amongst us in a nostalgic mood because it was so typical of the gay nineties."

University Drops 35 Students; 21 Frosh Victims of Automatic; 10 Reinstated

By MARVIN ANDERSON
The largest number of students in recent years to fall under the penalties of the University Automatic Rule for the first semester of the current academic term was announced this week.

Frank J. Gilliam, dean of students, disclosed that 58 students, including 21 freshmen, faced possible expulsion from the University because of poor academic work and failures on Monday, although the committee on reinstatements readmitted 23.

35 Leave University
Of the 35 students who were obliged to withdraw from the institution because of their work during the first semester, 11 were members of the freshman class.

In addition, Dean Gilliam stated that 7 of the 14 upper classmen on C average probation during last semester severed their connection with W&L, but four of these were reinstated by the committee.

"Smaller Proportion of Vets"
Commenting on the automatic rule figures, Dean Gilliam said: "In view of the fact that the student body this year shows a smaller proportion of veterans, from

whom strong academic work can be expected, the showing is not at all bad." He added that over a third of the men under automatic rule regulations were there because they overcut classes.

Dean Gilliam also scotched rumors that some classes might be revamped as a result of the academic showing this semester. He added that he had no information about such a supposition.

Last Year a Normal Year

At the end of the first semester of last year, which was considered a normal year for automatic rule failures, 44 students ended up on the automatic rule list. The number of freshmen then, 17, was only 4 less than the 21 first classmen who fell under the rule this year.

In the upper classes last year, 20 were on the automatic rule list as compared with the 37 this semester.

The committee on reinstatements, which included President Francis P. Gaines, Dean James G. Leyburn, Gilliam, and Dean Glover D. Hancock of the School of Commerce, acted on the applications for reinstatement Monday and Tuesday.

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Letters to The Editor

Editor, The Ring-tum Phi
Lexington, Va.

Dear Sir:

On behalf of the Fancy Dress Decorations Committee I should like to thank all those individuals who so willingly contributed their time and efforts to make "King Arthur" Wood's Fancy Dress Ball a great success.

An attempt to list everyone who deserves credit must involve overlooking many, but I would like to mention especially Hunter Lane, Curt Humphris, Craig Fritchie, Elliott Eaves, and Leo Barrington as being among those who came through with much hard labor during the last few days.

Many other students pitched in, among them some who did not even plan to attend the dance.

I hope it will be possible, with men like this in the student body, to carry on the tradition of student-made decorations.

Sincerely,

JOHN S. CHAPMAN.

Editor, The Ring-tum Phi
Washington and Lee University
Lexington, Virginia

Dear Sir:

A large segment of the student body was thoroughly disgusted with the recent ODK election, and I believe, not without reason. Not that the eleven men tapped are not deserving men—they are; but the consensus seems to be that eleven other equally deserving men could be chosen from the student body without too much deliberation. In other words, too many men were tapped, and some of those tapped were not so outstanding as several students who were apparently overlooked or perhaps even slighted.

The ballot printed in the Ring-tum Phi plainly stated that two-thirds of the men taken must qualify under the point system. Anyone who bothers to check the

activities of the initiates will find that only five of the eleven are eligible.

ODK has become so degenerate as the founding chapter that it does not follow its own constitution and is losing prestige not only on this campus but in the eyes of other chapters as well.

In spite of the fact that it will involve taking in too many men, I believe that the only way to begin to recoup prestige is to hold another tapping ceremony in the spring to recognize those men passed over before Christmas. Also a more objective system of selection should be adopted and followed and men should not be chosen because they happen to be the best representatives of the current year's crop in some particular pre-chosen category.

Let's put Omicron Delta Kapp on an equal plane with Phi Beta Kappa.

Sincerely,
A Student

To the Editor of
The Ring-tum Phi

What has happened to the W&L campus that it has become a thoroughfare for bicyclists and roller-skaters?

The town is full of married people with young children whose favorite walk is thru the campus. Why should their lives be endangered by these "Juniors" who make the campus their playground?

I am one of the old Lexingtonians and never in my recollection have pedestrians been subjected to such hazards as now exist on the campus.

You talk about highway casualties! I hope you can institute a campaign against this practice. Knowing your influence and prestige in the community, I feel sure you can correct this situation.

Thank you,
A Resident.

Campus Comment

By JOEL COOPER

Despite ardent protests to the contrary, in this space every Friday will be found that heterogeneous conglomeration of facts that can be published nowhere else, known as Campus Comment. However, since your reporter can't be at the Beta House and Doc's Corner Grille all at the same time he has called in that stalwart group known as Fraternity Social Chairmen to help him out by delivering those facts which to his fraternity seem most pertinent for campus distinction. We hope in that way to give everyone a fair deal. So, if you've got any beefs be sure to give them to the Sosh Chairman . . . he'll just love to have them. If you're on the "outs" with your Social Chairman or don't happen to be connected with a fraternity house, then stop me on the campus and I'll be prepared with pencil and pad to jot down anything that may be on your mind.

Speaking of the Beta House, we understand from Rick Williamson that Jim Vinson, now at Centre College, Kentucky, was up for the Fancy Dress week-end. Also that Jack Yates, who transferred last term to Randolph-Macon in Ashland, returned with some of his cronies and lost his Beta button to one of those D. C. gals on campus this week. They're still talking about the celebration that Bill Stodghill and Nat Weaver, February graduates, had before leaving last week. Ed (Soup) Campbell, who attended GW last semester, has returned to his Beta haunt for this semester, while John Tobynson, Tom Guthrie, and Andy Peabody write from Florida that the weather is warm and the women of the same name. They'll return this week-end.

In the Beta backyard we found the Phi Delt House which was still in the midst of a Fancy Dress party when we dropped by to pick up a story last Monday. Chief causes were Rody Davenport and his fiancée, Betsy Sumner, and Kenny Stark and Kitty Kunkle, who arrived on Sunday just in time to live up to the latestayers. We hear from Tim Bryant that the place was just loaded with recent alumni among them such Phi Delters as Clay Berry, Kyle Holly, R. T. Richardson, and John Carmichael.

Across the street at the Sigma Nu mansion we caught Dick Cancelmo eating the last meal before the group changed restaurants. They say that the Sigma Nu freshmen are taking up French in order to serve the food in the Southern Inn a la Continental manner. Dick tells us that the high point of their weekend came about in Gus Boden and Ted Sickle's abode where the two and Ted's date, Dodo Reardon, entertained. "This said that the French 75's and "Mr. Speaker" provided amusement. Sally Masengill, Bill Wallis and black orchid were seen shagging at the Beta House at 5 o'clock Sunday morning. And Tiger Townsend finally let the boys look at his South Carolina belle, Pat Railey. "Spirited" competition to the Phi Gam cocktail party last Friday afternoon was provided by the Penick trio of Messrs. Goodman, Gallagher, and Cancelmo.

Out KA way—Sosh Chairman, John Wakefield, is still being congratulated on losing his pin to Ellen Siemon. Alumni Ozzie Osborne escorting the Bomber and Rodney Fitzpatrick with wife, Alice, were on the F. D. Team last weekend. We hear that Steve Coco is dating Mary Baldwin again. (We wonder if there's another school named W&L?) Didja hear about Budgy Polk looking in Earl's for a spring V.M.I. formal? We hear Jean Dyer was in Lexington with him last weekend. Hmmm. They say that Dippy Gilliam is applying for the next Hollywood opening as the Life photogs were wild over his profile.

Sigma Chi's Joe Sullivan, Buck Gilman and wife, Carol, Ted Willis and wife, Florence, were on hand to paint the town red last weekend. Sig Chairman Bill Hogland relates. Bark Sturgill and Jim Stark had a lovely date from Kentucky, Saturday afternoon six couples spent a freezing hour in Goshen Pass under the leadership of Art Birney while Saturday night found numerous Sig's at Mitch and Marie Lewis' which became so interesting that many Brothers couldn't make the Gym. Let it be known here and now that Bill Swartz is still not pinned.

According to D. U. Chairman Roy Melton, the fishpond on Mulberry Hill received no pinning victims during King Arthur's in-

vasion, but many splashes were heard here and there. Pres Browning and Joe Kinard stayed on the celebration train for four days while Walt Riddick and Walt Hunter remained sober to the kilt. Down in the pre-fabs, Shorty and Judy Murray had a small party starting Thursday; the last straggler went down to defeat on Sunday morning. Fran LaFarge, Dolly Goodman, Pete Palmer, and Dawn Brewer had laughing spasms last weekend. Palmer discovered a worn-out larynx the next day.

The Kappa Sigs started things off a little early with a "Fancy Dress Anticipation Party," which featured a few Austin weary Sophomores and Austin Hunt's holiday scotch. The excuse given was that the scotch was inspired by "The Hasty Heart," which was showing at the time. Attending this brawl were Phil Robbins, Ken Fox, Aus, Benno Forman, Bob Maslansky, and yours truly. Chairman "Cub" Butler informs us that the Kappa Sigs had about 25 dates last weekend for Fancy Dress. Among the early arrivals were Betty Jean and Mary Catherine Young, who came up from San Antonio, Texas on the bids of Al Ebert and Dick Pruitt. Hack Heyward, Veep in charge of Decorations, was in the F. D. Figure with date Jane Lawson, as was past Prexy Al Kreger with Robin Robbins, and Dale Johnson with Evelyn Woods. Dick Heard and Ben Hayden, past alumni, also came up for the festivities.

Inventory of personnel and equipment is still being taken at the Phi Kap house. Several tourists have straggled in mistaking the remains for Liberty Hall. Highlights of the weekend were the pilgrimage of "Senator" McWhorter to Clifton Forge, the return of alumni including "Sandy" Richardson, visiting dignitaries from Maryland, and the rendition of rustic songs and snatches from Gilbert and Sullivan. Chairman Jack Ellis informs us that an albino guitar player provided entertainment. Several Phi Kap fraternity pins are missing, but their locations have not yet been ascertained. Among the offenders are Christian Compton, Sanford Young, and Jo-Jo Slaughter.

Out at Club Z.B.T. Fancy Dress dates started coming in Thursday morning bright and early. Earliest of the flock were Hugh Jacobson's fiancée, Lous Waxner, and Judy Kolker invited down by some character who owns an obnoxious yellow coat seen during exam time. Rumor has it that Dave Wolf is just about married while Frank Bear was promenading about the campus this week minus his Zebe pin. A limited number of spectators saw Bob Goodman and date in an old fashioned free-for-all on Friday night. However, Bob won two out of three falls. Social Chairman Jim Paradies had plans worked out to a "T" for the week-end and the effects of champagne and milk punch are still circulating around the Zebe halls. Back in school this February is Dick Wallerstein and his banjo, who were cooped up in a hospital bed with yellow jaundice for nigh on to three months.

Down at the Pi Phi house, Bleakley (Jesse) James imported a Mobile magnolia blossom in Dot Allen, a University of Alabama lass. We hear that Bleakley really did some brushing up on his baseball rules as Miss Allen is connected with the Mobile Barons. Talk of the Pi Phi's this past weekend was Fifi, the mystery woman, who is rumored to be a rare Hollins beauty. Al Terrill occupied most of this charming lady's time and all the boys are agog to know whether or not he's pinned to her.

Over the weekend at the Phi Gam House, Roy Noffman tells us that Cupid got Bobby Maver, so it looks like he and his girl, "Bobbie" Pinto are wedding bound. The Phi Gam question of the week: Who's got Stiek Harris' date now! Atwell Dugger fell in love with the eighth girl this year and after this weekend Joe Berry swears never to fall in love again. Bill Kennedy's date turned out to be of the "out-door" variety and beat him in various sporting contests. Everyone finally got a look at Bratt Rater's girl and want to see more of her. Bob Smith—(Phi Gam football oddity and freshman law student)—saw a lucky man marry his sister at home in Conest, Ohio. As for the rest of the Phi Gams, particularly Jack (Beast) Earle, sadness prevails. Reason: The removal of the glass brick treasure from the basement.

Overboard Critic Continues Raving

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from practice.

This very warmth of tone, bordering at times on lushness, might have been inappropriate had she not handled it so intelligently. Her feel for the Glazounov Concerto and the lyrical Vocalise of Rachmaninoff seemed to be quite genuine, even though the music of the Geazounov might not be of a sustained quality throughout. Her playing of the Rachmaninoff became more natural and more subjective as it progressed. Indeed, she appeared to lose herself in the music to such an extent that one could forget that her effects were well calculated in advance. Her approach to it was revealingly fresh, and I do not think it an exaggeration to say that she seemed to recreate the spirit of the composer much as he must have conceived it. Although the piece was originally written with the solo to be vocalized by a soprano, it lost nothing in the transcription for violin. The effect was so complete that the applause of the audience at its completion came like the intrusion of a wholly foreign element into an intimate emotional discourse.

An almost identical warmth and excellent, though personal quality of taste was reflected earlier in the more lyrical moments of the Bach Sonata No. 4 for unaccompanied violin, not so much a sonata as we think of one today, but more as a suite of dance movements. Here the Bach of the Choral-Preludes, the moving, organ-like Bach glowed in genuine projection.

It is rare that a recitalist as young as Miss Mitchell can aspire to the mastery that makes an audience join in the spontaneous feel of the music without the semi-realization that the music has been well rehearsed. It is a compliment to her that she can at times do this. But while she does generally hold this level of elevated emotion, she does occasionally slip into the dead-pan that so often characterizes our younger generation of interpretive artists. This sort of thing comes from a glorification of technique, and a poor example has been set them by such performers as Heifitz and the late Sergei Rachmaninoff. These tyrants of the concert stage would make beautiful music, but the utter passivity of their features would offer no key to their inner emotions.

Since concerts are one of the more popular of the "spectator sports," some revelation of that inner emotion which is necessary to the elevated expression we were speaking of a few lines back, enhances the audience's enjoyment immeasurably. When Miss Mitchell rose above this artistic passivity, the music she was playing truly came alive in her hands. It was these moments that led his reviewer to believe that she possesses a talent which, with the maturity of years, will admit her to the ranks of the outstanding woman violinists of the United States.

Miss Mitchell played a varied and nicely balanced program; one

From The Sidelines . . . Celebrities Select Dear Don Worthy Of Couping 50-Year Service Honors

By LETHBRIDGE AND LAUPHEIMER

Since the turn of the century the United States has changed in many respects. It used to be that a young man was extremely concerned about world affairs and his future in this young nation. Athletics took a back seat to things of a more serious nature, so that it wasn't strange for a college lad to read the first page of his morning newspaper.

It is pleasant indeed to note that such a deplorable situation is virtually non-existent today.

The trend now is to devour every piece of news connected with sports. Of course there is still a backward minority not yet up to such an undertaking. If, perhaps, you are in this group, read no further, for you will find this highly intellectual and scholarly account utterly meaningless.

Now we can get down to business at hand. Because half of a century has passed, polls of all varieties have been published to inform the public as to the top performers, events, etc. of the last fifty years. An astounding lack of imagination has characterized each one, and we feel it our duty to present a list which should end this ridiculous procedure forever.

There was a group of celebrities in Doc's the other evening discussing the finest single athlete in the last fifty years. Names such as Jones, Ruth, Cobb, Dempsey, Louis, Grange, Thorpe, and others were tossed about. We played the game for awhile, when suddenly The Name stuck in our throats. It was indeed a thrilling sensation to utter a choice which carried real weight. The boys had completely overlooked the one man worthy of recognition. His feats are far too numerous to mention; his character is beyond reproach and a symbol of perfection; he is justly deserving of this significant honor . . . Nick Etten is truly the greatest athlete of our times.

Remember how many times you've heard that foolish statement, "it's not whether you have

that reflected her own personality admirably. She betrayed appropriate tenderness in such works as the Rachmaninoff, and particularly in the slow movements of Nin's Chants D'Espagne; she played Milhaud's Ipanema with wit and Debussy with appreciation of the modern-archaism of his Menuet from Le Suite Bergamasque.

Technical flaws there were, of course, but in the presence of so many other artistic values, they do not need merit nor mention here. Her overall ability was at all times evident. Her intonation was excellent, her sense of pitch accurate, her touch light when exigence demanded it, vigorous and sure when necessary. The audience was warm and characteristically encouraging. It goes without saying that she will undoubtedly experience great success if she pursues her career with the characteristic vigor she displayed here in Lexington.

won or lost that counts, but how you played the game". Someone is always insisting upon proper sportsmanship, fair play, and such stuff. Yet there comes a time when that proclamation hits home and you begin to recall those who comprise the select group of gentlemen who long will be remembered for their exemplary actions. To be sure, there are many worthy of recognition, yet one competitor has far outdistanced the rest.

Don Meades certainly does measure up to every qualification; his record is impeccable. The former jockey genuinely adored the nags he rode, and as a result he was reluctant to participate in any such tactic as whipping. Simply inquire at any track as to what Dear Don did with his whips and you will agree that the sportsmanship award can go to no other man.

Various other categories could be investigated, but since this narration is directed to the intelligentsia, there is no need to deal with the obvious classifications.

Recently at Joe Stillman's gymnasium in New York, several noted authorities were questioned as to who was the best-loved sports figure of the half-century. Their reply was a tribute to the international nature of the American people. In chorus, they shouted, "Max Schmeling."

There is one more vacancy to be filled, and the fabulous Tony Galento is the man for the job. By avoiding such degenerating substances as tobacco and alcohol, and by feasting daily upon heaping portions of Wheaties with milk and fruit, Anthony has been, without doubt, the cleanest living athlete since 1900. His physical fitness program should be emulated by one and all and without further delay.

Hollis Heads SWMSC

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with the University. It is estimated that the Fund will swell to over \$6,000 by the end of this year.

The Committee hopes to reach its goal of \$10,000 by 1952, at which time it will go inactive.

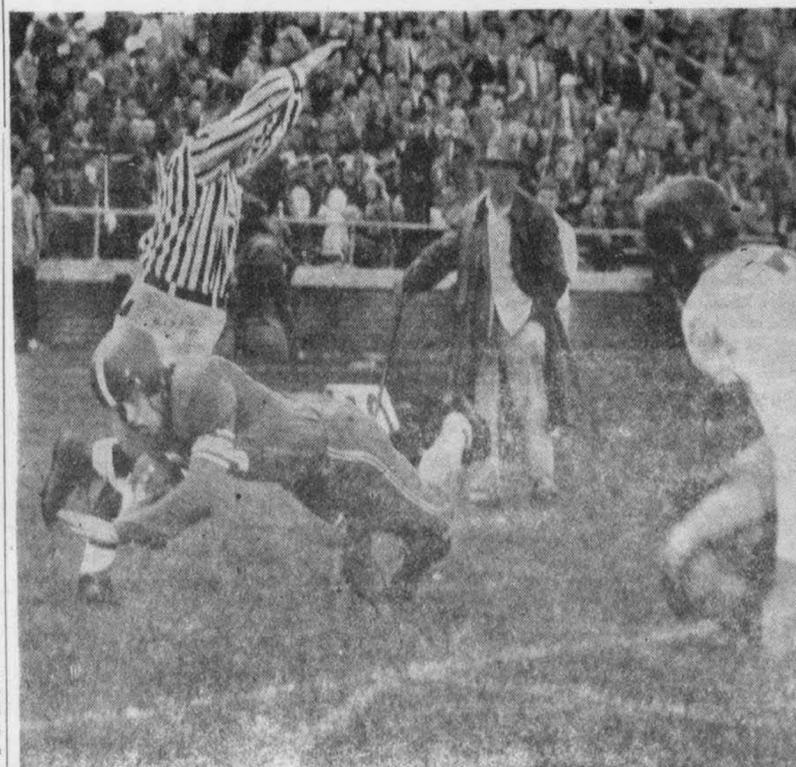
Despite the plans for discontinuation of the Fund, Chairman Stephens said that he was "in favor of a similar type organization to go into effect upon the dissolution of the SWMSC."

"I do not feel that another Scholarship Committee should be set up," he continued, "but I do feel that a student fund raising group is a good policy for the University in the future."

Membership to the Student War Memorial Scholarship Committee is highly limited. Those chosen this year from the Sophomore Class were Frazier Reams, Hank Litchfield, and Harold Hill.

Juniors in the group include Sam Hollis and Sol Wachtler. Senior members are John French, Gerry Stephens, Ed Gaines, and Jack Nichols.

Referee's A Wahoo . . .



OUTA MY WAY!—Tal Trammell's desperate leap for a touchdown in the third quarter of the W&L-Davidson College game here last October almost put the official on the bench for the season. However, this photo by Frank Hancock, World News staff photographer won him second place for sports photography in the Virginia Press Association's annual competition, making some good out of the play as Trammell landed out-of-bounds.

Co-op Initiates New Used Book Policy To Meet Student, Faculty Demands

Co-op manager F. H. Carmichael has announced that at the end of this semester the University Supply Store will initiate a new policy of purchasing used text books.

Early last semester the Ring-tum Phi published the demands of faculty and students for a Co-op policy of buying back used books, thus eliminating the necessity and unfair trade-in practices of outside book dealers.

The Co-op used book system as stated by Carmichael will run as follows:

1. The use of a particular book must be guaranteed before the Supply Store will purchase it. Only those books that are going to be used again will be bought by the Supply Store.

2. In order to protect against an overstock of particular books, the Supply Store will reserve the right to determine how many used books of a particular title it will buy up.

3. Used books will be purchased only once a year, at the end of the second semester. Used book dealers will act as Supply Store representatives on a NON-PROFIT basis for the privilege of buying used books, and will be told what to pay for books that are in resaleable condition; those not considered so will not be purchased. In addition to the setting of the price, the Supply Store will instruct the used book dealers as to how many books of a certain title will be purchased.

Speaking of the new policy, Carmichael said, "I think it's best to start out slowly in a venture

such as this because the losses can be great." He pointed out that the Co-op's lack of experience in buying used books might easily cause a loss if they are not especially careful at first. "If the experiment is a success," said Carmichael, "then we may go into it more thoroughly later."

The idea, according to Carmichael is to give a little more than a dealer would give for the books, then re-sell them cheaper than a dealer's price.

"Most university book stores which buy and re-sell used books on a large scale have experienced men to do the job and are in the business primarily for profit," stated Carmichael. "We are doing this only to meet the demands of those students and faculty members who thought it necessary."

He went on to add, "We will shortly send out a questionnaire to the faculty in order to find out what books will be bought. The Ring-tum Phi will then be given a list to publish notifying students just which books will be taken. Of course books in bad condition will not be accepted."

Livesay Named Prexy

J. Stan Livesay was recently elected president of Pi Kappa Alpha fraternity. Also named officers were Doug M. Smith, vice-president, and Cliff Swann appointed secretary. Buddy Clark continues to serve as house manager.

GENERALIZING

By HUNTER LANE, JR.

W&L Sports Scenery Undergoing Renovations

Its beginning to look like our decaying athletic plant is at last going to get a much-needed face lifting. If all the prospective improvements materialize, this may well be the biggest sports-equipment remodeling year since Mr. Doremus donated his famous muscle factory. We don't mean to imply that anything revolutionary is going to take place over-night, and that next year's frosh will be doing their push-ups in a brand new, stainless steel sports palace. The innovations have been gradual, and thus largely unnoticed, and we'd like to take this opportunity to call attention to some of them and to toss a few boquets to the oft-maligned athletic department for their part in bringing them about.

Item number one is the large blue ex-school bus conspicuously lettered "Washington and Lee Crew." This very practice vehicle was purchased at very low cost for use by the crew in getting to and from their distant boathouse. In previous years the crew men have been compelled to use their own autos for this daily commuting, a very inconvenient and unreliable arrangement. The new bus will also be used to haul other teams on short runs, and should soon pay for itself.

The second addition will certainly bring a barrage of cracks from the campus wits. Captain Dick has announced that the baseball team will have a new batting cage this season. The advantages of this contraption are obvious, and it should make the baseball managers' retrieving duties much less exhausting. Its acquirement spikes the rumor that a set of thoroughbred bloodhounds were being purchased to relieve the overworked bat-boys. It, too, should soon pay for itself, even if it does make baseball games less enjoyable for the local wags.

The third project rather dwarves the others, both in size and cost. One of the biggest eyesores on the campus, especially to tennis enthusiasts, has lain at the foot of the famous foot-bridge for some years now. The creviced and often soggy surface of the six clay tennis courts, to use the term broadly, located there has been the source of bitter complaint, both by varsity tennis players and intramural participants. There has been a crying need for the repair or replacement of these rock-strewn courts, and now at last the happy day is here. The whole project, which will include six new all-weather courts, was made possible by a gift of \$10,000 received from Mrs. Kelley Evans, and here's one that would like to see her name on a bronze plaque. Construction will start in the next few days and will be directed by the Hart-True Company of New York, one of the largest concerns of its kind in the East. The courts will be built from the ground up, the quick drying surface being underlaid by several inches of cinders to assure good drainage. Barring any unforeseen delays the courts should be ready for the tennis season.

W&L's Dixieland Wrestling Prestige Suffers as Generals Tie With Auburn, Are Floored by Appalachian, 19-9

Jack's Pin-Win Gains 16-16 Deadlock; Finley, Latham Lose in Comeback Tries

That mythical Dixieland wrestling crown which Washington and Lee acquired last year by winning the Southern Conference tourney, and flooring Auburn, Southeastern Conference champs, returned to Lexington tarnished but untoppled after a safari to the deep South that saw the Generals tied, 16-16, by the Auburns.

The Generals' dignity, as well as their personnel, was roughed up even more on the northern end of that 1500-mile tour, as they were upended by Appalachian State Teachers College, 19-9.

It took a first period pin by Jerry Jack in the eighth and final bout of the evening to gain for the Generals the five points that squeezed them into the tie with Auburn. Jack threw Al Brulovich with only 4 seconds remaining in the opening stanza. Ted Lonergan suffered the first defeat by fall of his intercollegiate career as the Tigers' Frank McKenzie pinned him in 7:55.

Sam Latham, returning to action after an injury had hobbled him throughout most of the searful season, lost, 8-6, to Ben Long.

Against Appalachian, Coach O. O. (Obie) Day's alma mater, the Generals found themselves ten points behind at the outset, as Jack Waynick pinned Howie Davis and Carl Dancy did the same with Paul Weill.

Captain Ken Finley, wrestling for the first time since a rib injury in the first match of the season, was decisively by Appalachian's Domik.

The only Generals enjoying real success on the journey were Irv Wicknick who won two matches at 165, one by fall and one by decision; and Jack at heavyweight who did the same.

Freshman Squads Win in Water, Lose on Hardwood

Cy Twombly's freshman swimmers turned in another workmanlike effort Wednesday, but Washington and Lee freshman athletic teams had to settle for a 50-50 afternoon, as the frosh courtmen lost to Augusta Military Academy.

The Aquafrosh had little trouble in reversing Staunton Military Academy, perennial Virginia prep tank aces, 47-28, in Doremus Gymnasium. It was their second win in as many launchings, as they turned back A.M.A. by a similar margin earlier in the campaign.

In the meantime, the previously hurricane first year basketball combo gave a listless performance against Augusta, losing out, 55-48, after being behind as much as 15 points during the course of the afternoon.

The A.M.A. victory featured the stellar play of Buster Keeton and big Frank Hall. For the touring shortenders, Ben Walden and Bill Osborne each scored 14 points, but got little help from their supporting cast.

Comets to Face Virginia There Tomorrow Night

Contest Inaugurates Home-and-Home Series

The Big Six bunting and a bid to the Southern Conference tourney are all but mathematical impossibilities as far as Washington and Lee's Blue Comets are concerned, but they will at least be out to salvage some state-wide prestige as they travel to Charlottesville tomorrow night to open a home-and-home series with the University of Virginia.

Three Cavalier-Comet encounters appeared on the original schedule, but the set-to at the Lynchburg Armory has been cancelled.

If numerical odds were in vogue tomorrow night the Comets would probably go into the game favored at about 7-5. Both clubs have under-gone mediocre campaigns from a won-and-lost standpoint, but the Washington and Lee's beat a much stronger Cavalier outfit twice last year and have themselves improved since last season.

The Virginians will once again depend on their high-scoring pivotman, Joe Noertker. Noertker, an unorthodox keyhole operator, has recorded 357 points in 18 contests for an average of 19.8. His latest effort was a 20-point total against the University of Richmond Wednesday night at Charlottesville. Earlier in the season he scored 30 in the Charlottesville arena against Dickinson College to tie a court record.

Frankie Allen, Virginia's thimble-sized guard, has been highly touted as a player and defenseman. He arched in 15 points against Richmond, and through his first thirteen games he had registered 113. The Cavaliers also feature a great fastbreak man in Vic Mohl, the slender forward whose point-totals have become larger as the season has progressed.

Tex Tilson Scores 24, Dick Sayre 22, to Lead Va. Tech In 80-71 Win Over Generals Wednesday in Blacksburg; First Half Airtight; Gobblers Pull Away in 2nd Stanza

George Pierson Tops Generals Scoring With Seventeen Points; Techmen, Outscored From Floor, Sink 30 of 43 Foul Shots

By TED LONERGAN

Led by Tex Tilson's 24 points, and Dick Sayre with 22, the Gobblers' of Virginia Tech revenged an earlier defeat at the hands of the Blue Comets, by edging the Lexington outfit, 80-71, Wednesday.

The victory, sixth in ten conference outings for the Gobblers, kept tournament hopes alive for Tech. The defeat was the seventh against two losses for the Comets in the Conference race.

Outcome of the game was decided on the foul line. W&L outscored the Techmen from the floor, 26-25, in field goals, but 30 of 43 fouls shots were good. The Generals cashed in on 19 of 25. Sayre had a perfect charity night, hitting on 12 of 12.

The game was rather rugged at all times. Five men, four of them wearing the Blue and White were sent out of action via the foul route. Dave Hedge, Jay Handlan, George Pierson, and Chris Compton left late in the game, and Ted Bacalis of Tech joined them on the bench soon afterward.

Pierson opened the scoring with a set shot, but Bob Thrombold tied it up. Compton and Jones matched

buckets, and the closeness of the contest was on. The score was tied nine times in the first half. Goals by Tilson and Sayre put the Techmen ahead at the intermission, 39-33.

The Gobblers maintained the six point advantage through the early parts of the third section, but the Comets pulled to within three points at one time. This was the closest the Generals came in the second half.

At the start of the final quarter, the Tech offensive team went into full speed action. They pulled out to a 72-55 lead with the clock showing three minutes of playing time remaining. Here Bob Goldsmith and Henry Jones teamed together to start a rally that fell

Lacrosse Practice Underway Monday

The Washington and Lee lacrosse team will hold its first practice of the 1950 season Monday at 3:30.

All lacrosse candidates, including freshmen, are urged to report to Wilson Field at that time.

A lengthy freshman schedule has already been drawn up.

short at the final whistle. Each tallied quickly, following one another, but time ran out.

Pierson led the Washington and Lee scoring with 17, mostly on his specialty, the set shot. Goldsmith was runner-up with 14 markers.

In an afternoon contest, the baby Gobblers also earned revenge for an earlier defeat, handing the General freshmen their second setback of the campaign, 53-46.

W&L-The Citadel Wrestling Tonight

Making their first home appearance following last week's 1500-mile road tour, Washington and Lee's Southern Conference wrestling kings engage The Citadel tonight in Doremus Gymnasium.

The first bout is scheduled to get underway at 8:00.

Undefeated in Conference competition, the Generals will be heavy pre-match favorites.

The Washington and Lee lineup will be strengthened by the return of Ken Finley, team captain, and Sam Latham, whom, because of injuries, Lexington fans have not been able to see in action on home mats.

Phi Deltas, Phi Psis Take League Titles In I-M Basketball

Sigma Chis, Deltas Win On Court, in Ping-Pong

The I-M basketball race swung back into action after a two week layoff with 6 games in two days. In the A league action the Campus Club edged the Betas in a low scoring affair 20-15. Jack Haver tallied 8 for the losers and Bouldin and Eubanks paced the victors with 6 each. The SAE bowed to the Phi Deltas by a 51-28 score as Cole hit 15 and Thomas snagged 14. Carter scored 11 for the SAE.

In B league the Phi Psi cinched the title with a 56-27 win over the Phi Gam. Parkinson with 18 and Bob Smith with 9 were their respective high point men. Sigma Nu walloped the Pi Phi by a 55-30 score as Trollinger got 22 and Broyles 16. Warfield led his team with 11.

In the other games the Deltas rapped up the C league championship with a 45-16 win over the PEP. Delahunty and Dick Jones each hit for 13 and Hutzler paced the losers with 9. The Sigma Chi also sowed up their league as they conquered the KA 42-29. Stark and Sturgill were high men with 16 and 11 respectively. Lummus

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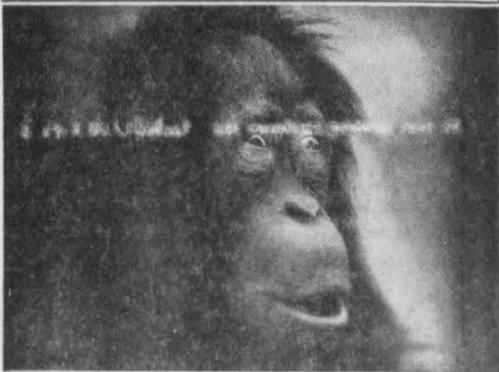
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Wrestling

(Continued from page 3) and French led their team with 10 and 8. With the table tennis play-offs due to start this week the Deltas, Sigma Chis and ZBTs have clinched berths, while the Beta, Phi Kaps, and KA have to play off a three way tie in their league. The Phi Kaps downed the Betas, 4-1, and play the KA's for the circuit crown.

Phi Kappa Psi Elects Moffatt President

Fred Moffatt, a senior from Frankfort, Kentucky, was elected president of the Phi Kappa Psi social fraternity in their second semester elections held recently. Other officers elected were John Young, vice-president; Ned Gerkin, housemanager; Prew Nelson, corresponding secretary, and Dean Luedders, recording secretary. Named to minor posts were Bruce Parkinson, Charlie Plumb, and Berry Newberry.

NOTICE
If anyone knows the whereabouts of four large rollers and 32 lag bolts which were left under the bandstand last weekend, would he please notify John Chapman at the Phi Kap House.

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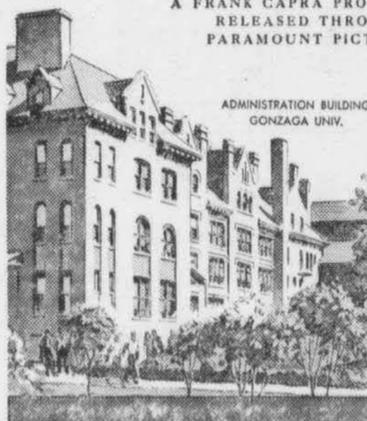
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